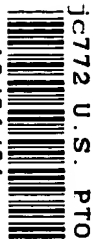


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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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Application No. To Be Assigned
 Applicant: Richard A. Brandt
 For: SPORTS RACKET HAVING A UNIFORM STRING STRUCTURE
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To: Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

1. ☒ Fee Calculation (Box 15) and Authorization (Triplicate copies of this form are enclosed)
2. ☒ Specification and Claims (24) Total Pages
3. ☒ Informal Drawings (18) Total Sheets
4. ☒ Signed Declaration
 - a. ☒ New
 - b. ☒ Copy from a prior application (37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d)) (for continuation/divisional with Box 14 completed).
 - i. ☐ Signed statement attached deleting inventors named in the prior application (37C.F.R. § 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
5. ☒ Incorporation by reference (useable if Box 4(b) is checked). The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the declaration is supplied under Box 4(b), is considered as being part of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference herein.
6. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)
 - a. ☐ Computer Readable Copy
 - b. ☐ Paper copy (identical to computer copy)
 - c. ☐ Statement verifying identify of above copies.

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

7. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449
8. ☐ Copies of IDS citations
9. ☒ Preliminary Amendment
10. ☒ Two (2) Return Receipt Postcards
11. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document
12. ☐ The benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 119 is claimed of the filing of:
13. ☐ Other:
14. ☒ If a **CONTINUING APPLICATION**, check appropriate box and supply requisite information:

☒ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-Part (CIP)

of prior application No.: 09/715,762 title: SPORTS RACKET HAVING A UNIFORM STRING STRUCTURE

 - a1. ☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line:

--This is a <continuation, divisional or continuation-in-part> of Serial No. _____ filed _____, which was a national stage filing under 35 USC 371 of PCT/XX/_____ filed _____ which International Application was published by the International Bureau in English on _____
 - a2. ☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line:

--This is a continuation of Serial No. 09/715,762 filed NOVEMBER 17, 2000.
 - b. ☐ The prior application is assigned to _____

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- c. ☐ Priority of foreign application No. _____ filed on _____, in the _____ country of _____ and foreign application No. _____ filed on _____, is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § _____. A certified copy of the foreign priority application has been filed in prior application Serial No. _____ filed on _____.
- d. ☐ (Check if applicable) Abandon said prior application as of the filing date accorded this application. A duplicate copy of this form is included for filing in the prior application.
- e. ☒ (Check if applicable) Transfer the drawings from the prior application to this application. A duplicate copy of this form is included for filing in the prior application.

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17. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge deposit account # 50-1628 any additional fees, which may be required, including all required fees under

☒ 37 C.F.R. § 1.16;


☒ 37 C.F.R. § 1.17;

☒ 37 C.F.R. § 1.18.

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